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1. EMBASSY IS POUCHING SEPARATELY COPIES OF NOTES C-13 AND C-15, MENTIONED IN DAVIES-SPASOWSKI MEMCON OF APRIL 16, AS WELL AS A COPY OF NOTE C-20 OF MAY 8, 1974, CONTAINING THE NAMES OF 51 FAMILIES (141 INDIVIDUALS) WITH SPONSORES RESIDING POLAND (WARSAW 1830).

2. MOST, IF NOT ALL, OF THE SPONSORES ON THE C-20 LIST ARE DUAL NATIONALS. ALL OF THESE FAMILIES CONTINUE TO BE INTERESTED IN IMMIGRATION TO THE US AND HAVE BEEN REFUSED EMIGRANT DOCUMENTATION. WHILE THE EMBASSY DOES NOT HAVE CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE THAT THE US CITIZEN SPONSORS HAVE ALSO BEEN DENIED EMIGRANT DOCUMENTATION (IN ORDER TO SAVE TIME, THE LIST WAS SUBMITTED ON MAY 8 IN IEU OF FIRST CANCELLING THE SPONSORS), IT IS APPARENT THAT ALL OF THEM HAVE EITHER BEEN DENIED PASSPORTS OR FACED WITH THE PROSPECT OF A FAMILY SEPARATION.

3. MFA CALLED DCM IN MAY 30 TO DISCUSS NOTE C-1. CHIEF OF CONSULAR SECTION ALSO PARTICIPATED IN DISCUSSIONS WITH VICE DIRECTOR BIALY OF CONSULAR DEPARTMENT. BIALY
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EMPHASIZED THAT THE GOP DID NOT RECOGNIZE THE EXISTENCE OF A PROBLEM OF "JOINING FAMILIES", AND THAT THE 39 CASES

LISTED IN NOTE C-1, HAD BEEN CONSIDERED UNDER NORMAL PROCEDURES.

4. ACCORDING TO BIALY, TEN APPLICANTS HAD BEEN OR WOULD BE GRANTED PERMISSION TO EMIGRATE, NINE HAD BEEN REFUSED PERMISSION, SEVEN HAD NEVER APPLIED FOR EMIGRANT PASSPORTS, FIVE HAD NO APPLICATION PENDING, SIX PRESENTED NO PROBLEM SINCE THEIR SPONSORS HAD RETURNED TO POLAND, AND TWO CASES WERE STILL UNDER EXAMINATION. OF THE NIN REFUSUALS, EIGHT AROSE OUT OF THE SPONSOR'S CONTINUED PRESENCE AS A VISITOR IN THE U.S. (THESE ARE DUAL NATIONALS WHO LEFT POLAND AS VISITORS AND DID NOT RETURN), AND ONE WAS DUE TO "INSUFFICIENT GROUNDS". OF THE TEN SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS, THE TIMING OF THE GOP PERMISSION INDICATES THAT ONLY THREE COULD HAVE BEEN (BUT NOT NECESSARILY WERE) INFLUENCED BY NOTE C-1.

5. APPLICANTS GRANTED PERMISSION WERE GRZEGORZ ADAMSKI, ZOFIA BOLKOWSKA, EUGENIUSZ KACZOROWSKI, IRENA KOSZYLKO, RYSZARD LEBSKI, MARIA LEJA, FRANCISZEK PIASECKI, IRENA SKOROBATCKYG, BARBARA SOBCZAK-GRAHAM, AND STANISLAW STACHURSKI. MARIA LEJA'S PASSPORT WAS PROMISED IN DECEMBER, 1973, BUT SHE HAS NOT YET INFORMED THE EMBASSY. ELZBIETA WIKTOR, ALSO ON THE LIST, INFORMED THE EMBASSY SHE HAD PERMISSION TO EMIGRATE AND WAS FORMALLY INTERVIEWED ON APRIL 26. BIALY STATES, HOWEVER, THAT PERMISSION WAS REFUSED BECAUSE THE HUSBAND HAD BEEN IN THE US AS A VISITOR SINCE 1969.

6. EMBASSY IS ANALYZING RESULTS, BUT IN GENERAL PLANS TO FOLLOW-UP BY RECOMMENDING TO THOSE WHO HAVE NOT APPLIED, HAVE NO APPLICATIONS PENDING, OR WHOSE SPONSORS HAVE RETURNED TO POLAND, THAT THEY INFORM THE EMBASSY WHEN THEY HAVE SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS FOR PASSPORTS SO THAT TH EMBASSY CAN AGAIN BRING THEIR CASES TO THE ATTENTION OF THE MFA. WE WOULD ALSO RECOMMEND A RE-APPLICATION TO THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN REFUSED, BUT AT THE SAME TIME SUGGEST TO THE SPONSORS OF EIGHT OF THEM THAT THEY SOMEHOW SEEK TO STRAIGHTEN OUT THEIR STATUS WITH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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THE GOP (PERHAPS BY OBTAINING APPROVAL FOR A RENUNCIATION OF THEIR POLISH CITIZENSHIP).
THE EMBASSY WILL TAKE UP AGAIN WITH THE MFA THE CASE REFUSED FOR INSUFFICIENT GROUNDS.
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